

### Guide to CAP's 4 Application Pathways

When completing CAP's Application for Evaluation of Academic Credentials form, applicants are required to select which application pathway they are applying through as described in Section 2 in the [Criteria for Evaluating Academic Credentials](#). This worksheet was designed as a tool to support members who are completing their application with CAP. **This worksheet is intended to provide supportive information only and is not an exhaustive resource.** If you are uncertain which pathway to apply through, connect directly with CAP. Failing to select the correct Application pathway will delay the processing of your application.

| Pathway  | Pathway Description   | Notes for Specific Pathway  |
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| <b>Pathway 1<br/>Regular<br/>Psychology<br/>Pathway</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must have obtained a graduate degree in psychology from a Government Authorized/Accredited Institution that meets the academic criteria established by College Council for credentials evaluation</li> <li>Graduate degree <b>MUST</b> contain the word "Psychology" or "Psychological"</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Section 6 of the <a href="#">Criteria</a> to determine whether course content fulfills CAP's requirements</li> <li>Must complete the course-by-course evaluation for core and substantive courses (see <a href="#">PAA's Course-By-Course Evaluation Tip Sheet</a> and review Section 8 of the <a href="#">Criteria</a>)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Pathway 2<br/>Substantial<br/>Equivalency<br/>Pathway</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must have obtained a graduate degree in areas other than psychology. CAP defines a graduate degree in psychology as a degree that has the words "Psychology" or "Psychological" in its title and is intended for the purpose of training people in the profession of psychology.</li> <li>Graduate degrees or transcript does <b>NOT</b> contain the word "Psychology" or "Psychological"</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Section 7 of the <a href="#">Criteria</a> to determine whether course content fulfills CAP's requirements</li> <li>Must complete the course-by-course evaluation for core and substantive courses (see <a href="#">PAA's Course-By-Course Evaluation Tip Sheet</a> and Review Section 8 of the <a href="#">Criteria</a>)</li> <li>Applicants with a doctoral degree who are <b>initially</b> applying to have their academic credentials evaluated are <b>NOT</b> required to complete a</li> </ul> |

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|  |   | separate evaluation for their doctoral credentials.  |
| <b>Pathway 3<br/>CPA/APA Approved<br/>Doctoral Pathway</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must have obtained a Doctoral degree in a Clinical Psychology, Clinical Neuropsychology, Counselling Psychology, or School Psychology program accredited by the Canadian Psychological Association or American Psychological Association</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These programs must abide by strict CPA/APA accreditation requirements and therefore applicants in this pathway are <b>EXEMPT</b> from the process of course-by-course evaluation</li> <li>The University of Alberta's Ph.D. in School and Clinical Child Psychology is a CAP approved program and therefore graduates can apply under Pathway 4</li> <li>Applicants with a doctoral degree who are <b>initially</b> applying to have their academic credentials evaluated are <b>NOT</b> required to complete a separate evaluation for their doctoral credentials.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Pathway 4<br/>CAP Approved<br/>Programs Pathway</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must have completed the following programs after the specified approval dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Athabasca University – <b>Master of Counselling in Counselling Psychology</b> (February 27, 2021)</li> <li>University of Alberta – <b>Master of Education in Counselling Psychology</b> (February 27, 2021)</li> <li>University of Alberta – <b>Doctor of Philosophy in School and Clinical Child Psychology *</b> (September 17, 2021)</li> <li>University of Calgary – <b>Master of Science in Clinical Psychology</b> (February 27, 2021)</li> <li>University of Calgary – <b>Master of Science in School and Applied Child Psychology</b> (July 24, 2021)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Universities with CAP approved programs will provide CAP with the names of graduates who are eligible to apply through this pathway</li> <li>Applicants who completed a program before it became approved may not meet all the requirements to apply through this pathway</li> <li>Applicants through this pathway are <b>EXEMPT</b> from the process of course-by-course evaluation because these programs have been approved by the University Program Approval Committee</li> </ul>  |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ University of Lethbridge – <b>Master of Education in Counselling Psychology</b> (February 27, 2021)</li> <li>○ University of Lethbridge – <b>Master of Counselling in Applied Psychology</b> (February 27, 2021)</li> <li>○ University of Calgary – <b>Master of Education in School and Applied Child Psychology</b> (December 2, 2022)</li> <li>○ University of Calgary – <b>Master of Science in Counselling Psychology</b> (December 2, 2022)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Graduates from these programs whose names are not provided to CAP by their University will need to submit course-by-course evaluation and select “Other” as their pathway</li> <li>● Applicants enrolled in the University of Alberta’s Ph.D. in School and Clinical Child Psychology program may be eligible to apply through Pathway 4 following completion of doctoral coursework but prior to dissertation defense. Please contact the Director of Training for your program to confirm</li> </ul> |
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All applicants must have obtained their degrees from institutions which were authorized/accredited at the time coursework and related requirements were completed. Any degrees from or courses taken at educational institutions that were/are not accredited will not be accepted. For more information, please refer to Section 2 of CAP’s [\*Criteria for Evaluating Academic Credentials\*](#).